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THE Pennſylvania GAZETTE.

Containing the freſheſt Advices Foreign and Domeſtick.

From Thurſday, March 16. to Thurſday, March 23. 1731-2.

LONDON, October 26.

LAST Saturday Morning, about 4 o' clock, a Fire broke out in a Stove Chimney belonging to the Houſe of Dr. Bentley, lately inhabited by the Earl of Aſſiburnham, in little Dean's-Yard, adjoining to the King's School by Weſtminſter Abbey, which conſumed that Part of the Houſe which contain'd the King's and the Cottonian Libraries, ſo that all the printed Books of both the ſaid Libraries, together with ſeveral Manuſcripts, were conſumed in the Flames: But divers Boxes of the moſt curious Manuſcripts were ſaved, with great Hazard and Difficulty. 'Tis ſaid the choice Manuſcripts which Dr. Bently had been compiling for many Years, to make a perfect and compleat Greek Teſtament, are all conſum'd, the which is the more to be lamented, becauſe Dr. Mills in his Preface to his New Teſtament, aſſerts there is no leſs than 1500 Errors in that commonly uſed.

Boſton, Feb. 21. Tueſday laſt was reckoned as cold a Day as has happened in the Memory of the oldeſt Man among us. A ſmall Veſſel that went out from hence the Night before for Salem, found the Weather ſo extreme cold, and met with ſo much Ice, that they were oblig'd to drop Anchor and put out a Signal of Diſtreſs, which being perceiv'd at Marblehead, ſeveral immediately came in a Scooner to their Help; and after the Men were taken into the Scooner, the Ice ſunk the Veſſel they left, whereby a conſiderable Loſs is ſuſtained.

The ſame Day a Barn was burnt down at Lynn, and a Cow in it burnt to Death, occaſioned by Fire blown from a Tobacco Pipe.

We are alſo informed, That the ſame Day Mr. John Dorcheſter was frozen to Death, in travelling from a Place called the Elbows, to Springfield.

We hear from New-London, That a Woman in that Town now lies in with Twins, it being the fourth time of her having Twins. Alſo,

That an Indian was lately committed to the Goal of that Place, for ſtabbing a Man with a Knife in his Breaſt, the Knife was bloody up to the Haft.

Boſton, Feb. 28. From Rowley and Newbury we are acquainted, that about a Fortnight ſince they had two Shocks of an Earthquake.

We hear from the Eaſtward, that about 20 Days ſince, a Veſſel's Stern drove aſhore there, having a Woman painted on it.

We have an Account, that on Tueſday the 15th Inſtant, (it being an extreme cold and windy Seaſon) Capt. Wildman in his Paſſage from New-York hither, laden with Proviſions, &c. ſtruck on the Middle Ground near Homes's Hole, where the Veſſel ſtove to pieces. The Men are all loſt, and among the reſt a Gentleman who was coming Paſſenger from New-York. Some ſmall part of the Cargo drove aſhore.

We hear from the Bay of Hondoras, that a Spaniſh Brigantine of 70 Guns, had taken a Ship belonging to this Place, Capt. Farrington Commander; but the Men eſcap'd.

A few days ago, the Houſe of Mr. Chriſtopher Darrow, of New London, was burnt down ſoon after his Wife was brought to Bed of two Children.

We hear that three Men are committed to Priſon at New-Hampſhire, on Suſpicion of counterfeiting P. Money.

New-Haven College, Jan. 14.

OUR Sweeper having lately buried his Spouſe, and accidentally hearing the Death and Will of his deceaſed *Cambridge Brother*, has conceived a violent Paſſion for the Relict. As Love ſoftens the Mind, and diſpoſes to Poetry, he has eaſed himſelf in the following Strains, which he tranſmits to the charming Widow, as the firſt Eſſay of his Courtſhip.

1.

MIſtreſs *A---y*,
To you I fly,
You only can relieve me,
To you I turn,
For you I burn,
If you will but believe me.

2.

Then gentle Dame,
Admit my Flame,
And grant me my Petition.
If you deny,
Alas! I die
In pitiful Condition.

3.

Before the News,
Of your poor Spouſe
Had reach'd us at *New-Haven*,
My dear Wife dy'd,
Who was my Bride
In *Anno* Eighty ſeven.

4.

Thus being free,
Let's both agree
To join our Hands, for I do
Boldly aver
A Widower
Is fitteſt for a Widow.

5.

You may be ſure
'Tis not your Dow'r
I make this flowing Verſe on;
In theſe ſmooth Lays,
I only praiſe
The Glories of your Perſon.

6.

For the whole that
Was left by *Mat.*
Fortune to me has granted
In equal ſtore,
Nay I've too more,
What *Matthew* always wanted.

7.

No Teeth, 'tis true,
You have to ſhew,
The Young think Teeth invi- (ting;
But ſilly Youths!
I love thoſe Mouths
Where there's no fear of biting

8.

A leaky Eye,
That's never dry,
Theſe woful Times is fitting.
A wrinkled Face
Adds ſolemn Grace
To Folks devout at Meeting.

9.

A furrow'd Brow,
Where Corn might grow,
Such fertil Soil is ſeen in't:
A long hook Noſe,
Tho' ſcorn'd by Foes,
For Spectacles convenient.

10.

Thus to go on,
I could pen down
Your Charms from Head to
Set all your Glory (Foot,
In Verſe before ye,
But I've no Mind to do't.

11.

Then haſte away
And make no Stay,
For ſoon as you come hither,
We'll eat and ſleep,
Make Beds and ſweep,
And talk and ſmoke together.

12.

But if, my Dear,
I muſt move there,
Tow'rds *Cambridge* ſtrait I'll ſet
To rowze the Hay (me,
On which you lay,
If, *Madam*, you will let me.

New-York, March 7. We hear from Jamaica, that the two Regiments of Soldiers there were diſbanded, and that each Man had two Negroes and ſome Money given them, with ſome Land at Port Antonio, where they were to ſettle, but that the Officers were ordered home. That a Man of War was gone to Campeche, and another to Porto Rico,

Rico, to demand Reſtitution of all Engliſh Veſſels illegally taken; and that in Caſe of Refuſal, Letters of Reprisal would be granted.

Cuſtom House, New-York, March 14. *Inward Entries.*

Ratſey from Suranam, Luſh and Marſton from Coracoa, Floyd from Hondoras, Sherwin from Jamaica, Sharpleſs from Nevis, Vanpelt from N. Carolina.

Outward Entries, White for Jamaica, Smith for London, Bodin for Coracoa, Sharpleſs for Boſton, Emot for Jamaica, Vanpelt for N. Carolina.

Cleared, Hill to Amboy, W. Smith to Madera, Roy to Antigua, Stephens to Barbadoes, White to Jamaica, Schermerhorn and Sharples to Boſton, Vanpelt to N. Carolina.

PHILADELPHIA, *March* 23.

From Goſhen we hear, that an old Man there has a Cow, which hath brought ſeven Calves in leſs than two Years.

From Newcaſtle County, we hear that about two Weeks ſince in the Evening, the Store of Mr. Rammage took fire by the following Accident. There was a Quantity of Flax in the Loft, part of which hung down in Threads thro' the chinks of the Floor; and a Girl going in with a candle, ſome of the Threads took Flame, and immediately the whole Body of Flax above was on Fire; the People could ſave very little, and the Loſs is computed at near 300 l. There was a Barrel of Powder in the ſaid Loft, which blew up, but no one was hurt thereby.

Cuſtom-Houſe, Philadelphia, Entred inwards.

Sloop Catherine & Ann, Dunkan Murray, from Maryland.

Entred outwards.

Ship Ruby, Daniel Morgan, for Jamaica.

Cleared.

Ship Phœnix, Chriſtopher Dunn, to Dublin.
Brigt. Meridian, Benjamin Chriſtian, to Ditto.
—— Unity, Abel Cane, to Barbadoes.
—— Mulberry, Martin Ball, to Antigua.
—— George & William, W. Graham, to Virginia.
—— Penſilvania-Hope, John Howel, to Barbadoes.
—— Orange, Charles Edgar, to ditto.
Ship Three Batchelors, William Spafford, to ditto.
Sloop Ann and Mary, Henry Leaper, to S. Carolina.
—— Catherine & Ann, Duncan Murry, to Maryland.

Prices of the following Goods, Wheat 2 s. 7 d. Flour 8 s. 6 d. Midling Bread 12 s. Mixt ditto 10 s. 6 d. Brown ditto 9 s. 6 d. Rum 2 s. 9 d. Meſſaſſes 16 d.

Advertiſements.

ALL *Perſons indebted to* Andrews *and* Poſtlethwaite, *late in Partnerſhip, are deſired to come and pay their reſpective Debts, or expect further Trouble. All Perſons that have any Demands on them, may bring in their Accounts and receive Satisfaction within two Months after the Date hereof.*

March 24. 1731, 2. John Poſtlethwaite, Ephraim Andrews.

To be Sold,

THirty *Acres of Land, ſituate in the Northern Liberties of the City of* Philadelphia, *near* Edward Horn's *Plantation. Whoſoever has a mind to buy, may enquire of* George Bringhurſt *at* Germantown, *and know further.*

GENERAL LOAN-OFFICE.

ALL Perſons who are indebted to the General Loan-Office of Pennſylvania, are hereby required ſpeedily to pay in their reſpective Quota's; otherwiſe their Mortgages will be put in Suit.

Pennſyl' ſſ. WHEREAS by an Act of General Aſſembly of this Province, 'tis directed that all the Bills of Credit emitted before the Year 1729, ſhould be ſunk and deſtroy'd, &c.

THESE are to deſire all Perſons, who are poſſeſs'd of any of the ſaid Bills, to bring them to the General Loan-Office, where they may have them exchanged for New-Ones.

N. B. *The Currency of the ſaid Bills being expired, they will not be received in Payment; but all Perſons bringing them to the ſaid Office, may have them exchanged as above.*

ON *Thurſday the 9th of this Inſtant March,* *Eſcaped from the Goal of the City of Philadelphia,* John M'Farſon, *being the Captain of a Crew condemn'd for Piracy, at a Court of Admiralty held at the City aforeſaid. He is a ſhort well-ſet Man, brown Complexion and freſh coloured, much pock-fretten: He had on when he went away, a black Wig, a dark-colour'd double-breaſted Coat, a Seerſucker Jacket and Breeches, a white Holland Shirt, and good Shoes and Stockings. All Perſons are forbid to entertain him, at their Peril: And whoſoever ſecures him ſo that he may be returned to the ſaid Goal, will receive from the Honourable PATRICK GORDON, Eſq; Governor of Pennſylvania, &c. the Sum of* Twenty Pounds; *and be paid a further Sum of* Ten Pounds, *by* C. READ, Sher.

THE *great Houſe at the North End of* Philadelphia, *with Gardens and Orchard, and about* 25 *Acres of Paſture and Meadow, is to be Sold, or Let for* 7 *Years, by* Daniel Pegg. *He has alſo good Lime to ſell.*

A *Young Spaniſh Indian Woman, to be Sold:* *She is about* 20 *Years of Age, and very fit for all manner of Houſhold Buſineſs. Enquire at Capt.* Thomas James's *in Second-ſtreet, Philadelphia.*

TO *be Sold, all that Meſſuage, Land and Tenement, in Walnut-ſtreet, now in the Improvement of* Edward Robinſon; *Enquire of* Peter Evans, *or* Michael Jobſon.

WHereas *there has been lately a conſiderable Demand on* Samuel Carpenter, *Brewer, Thoſe Perſons that are indebted to him, are hereby deſired to pay their ſeveral Debts before the firſt Day of* Auguſt *next; otherwiſe there muſt be legal Courſes taken to recover the ſame, without any further Notice given them. Thoſe Perſons that have any Demands on him, are deſired to bring in their Accounts within that Time, Care ſhall be taken to ſatisfy them. There is to be ſold by the ſaid* Samuel, *Strong Beer for* 24 *s. the Barrel, or* 12 *d. the Gallon; Good Ale for* 16 *s. the Barrel, or* 8 *d. the Gallon; and Middling Beer for* 8 *s. the Barrel, or* 4 *d. the Gallon. Thoſe that ſend clean Bottles with good Corks, may have the beſt Beer for* 4 *s. the Dozen, and Middling Beer for* 2 *s. the Dozen.*

RAN *away on the* 20*th of* September *laſt,* *from* James Yates, jun. *of* Newtown *in* Bucks-County, *a Servant Man named* Charles O Neal, *but is ſuppoſed to have changed his Name, and call himſelf* Thomas Davis: *He is of ſhort ſize, freſh Complexion, down-looked, thick Lips, and a ſhort Noſe; had on when he went away, an old great Coat, white Jacket, Leather Breeches, grey Stockings, round-toed Shoes. Whoever takes up the ſaid Servant, and ſecures him ſo that his Maſter may have him again, ſhall have* Three Pounds *Reward, and reaſonable Charges paid, by* James Yates, jun.

TO *be ſold by* William Fiſhbourn, *about Five hundred Acres of very good Land, well-water'd, part fit for Meadowing, near* Horſham. *Alſo near one Hundred Acres of good Meadow Land, already in Engliſh Graſs, with good Thorn Hedges and Ditches about the ſame. And ſeveral Parcels of good Upland; and Three-Fourths of* Briſtol Mills, *Lands, Houſes & Lots thereto belonging; all in* Bucks *County. Alſo ſeveral Houſes and Lots, and Ground-Rents for ever, in* Philadelphia *City, on reaſonable Terms.*

To be Sold or Let;

A TAVERN *or Houſe of Entertainment very well accuſtomed, and well ſituated for Trade and Accommodation of Travellers, being about the midway between* Gloceſter *and* Salem; *together with* 250 *Acres of Land,* 40 *of which are cleared, with very good Conveniance for Meadowing, and a very good young Orchard; now in the Poſſeſſion of* Chriſtopher Taylor. *It is alſo well ſituated for a* Store, *which is now kept there. Enquire of* William Pywell, *Tanner in* Philadelphia, *and be further informed.*

GEORGE MEGEE, Nailer.

AT the Corner of Front-ſtreet, in Arch-ſtreet, by the Arch-Wharff; Maketh and ſelleth all Sorts of Nails, *viz.* All Sorts of Deck Nails, Two Shilling, Double Tens, Single Tens, all Sorts of Shingle Nails, by Wholeſale or Retale, at reaſonable Rates.

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